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Educational Background

• Ph.D., 1984, Geology and Geophysics University of Hawaii

Research Interests

- Exploration of unmapped volcanic regions in the deep ocean.
- Origin and evolution of oceanic plates.
- Origin and evolution of oceanic volcanoes and lavas

Current Work

In addition to his Alaska Sea Grant role, Dr. Christie is also a professor of Geological Oceanography and Marine Geology and Geophysics.

Since coming to UAF from Oregon State University in 2006, Dr. Christie has served as director of the UAF/NOAA West Coast and Polar Regions Undersea Research Center and as UAF director of the Kasitsna Bay Laboratory near Seldovia.

Christie is a marine geologist whose research focuses on tectonic forces and volcanic processes in the deep ocean. He received his doctorate from the University of Hawaii in geology and geophysics in 1984.